

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PINS, PINT, ELAB, NU  
SUBJECT: REACTION TO CHAMORRO ASSASSINATION: UDEL PROMOTES  
NATIONAL STRIKE

1. THE UNION OF DEMOCRATIC LIBERATION (UDEL), THE COALITION OF  
OPPOSITIONIST POLITICAL PARTIES AND LABOR ORGANIZATIONS FORMERLY  
HEADED BY PEDRO JOAQUIN CHAMORRO, HAS DECIDED TO PROMOTE AN INDE-  
FINITE PARO NACIONAL (NATIONAL WORK STOPPAGE), IN THE HOPE OF CRE-  
ATING THE CONDITIONS FOR SOMOZA'S OVERTHROW. ALTHOUGH MEETINGS  
AMONG POLITICAL PARTIES AND BUSINESS GROUPS TO DISCUSS THE WORK  
STOPPAGE ARE STILL ONGOING, SOME WORKERS HAVE ALREADY GONE OFF THEIR  
JOBS. THESE HAVE BEEN PRINCIPALLY CONSTRUCTION WORKERS, AFFILIATED  
TO THE COMMUNIST-CONTROLLED MANAGUA CONSTRUCTION WORKERS'S UNION  
(SCAAS), WHICH IS PART OF UDEL. ACCORDING TO BUSINESS COMMUNITY  
SOURCES, ABOUT 2,000 CONSTRUCTION WORKERS AT SEVENTEEN WORK SITES,  
REPRESENTING ABOUT 40 PERCENT OF MANAGUA CONSTRUCTION WORKERS, WERE  
OUT ON STRIKE ON JAN. 16.

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2. COMMENT: GIVEN THE WEAKNESS OF ORGANIZED LABOR IN NICARAGUA, THE  
SUCCESS OF THE STRIKE WOULD DEPEND TO A LARGE EXTENT ON THE SUPPORT  
THAT IT RECEIVES FROM THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY. AT THE PRESENT TIME,  
THERE SEEMS TO BE AN INCLINATION ON THE PART OF ONLY SOME ELEMENTS  
OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR TO SUPPORT THE STRIKERS OR AT LEAST REFRAIN  
FROM TAKING MEASURES AGAINST THEM.  
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